

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

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The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

ACCEPTANCE OF PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACTS SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS 1, 3, 4, AND 5 3 VOTES

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Ratify changes in work and accept completed contract work under the following construction contracts:

Project ID No. FCC0000963 - Boone Avenue - Olive Avenue Drain, Boone - Olive Pumping Plant Low Flow Diversion, in the Venice area of the City of Los Angeles (3), Humphrey Constructors, Inc., with changes in the amount of \$4,840.00, and a final contract amount of \$177,011.00.

Project ID No. RDC0013877 - Harbor Boulevard Wildlife Underpass Project, City of La Habra Heights (4), Excel Paving Company, with a final contract amount of \$1,242,618.88.

Project ID No. RDC0014149 - Azusa Avenue, Amar Road to Temple Avenue, City of West Covina (1 and 5), Sequel Contractors, Inc., with changes amounting to a credit of \$66,524.03, and a final contract amount of \$711,481.36.

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Project ID No. RMD1446016 - Parkway Tree Trimming, RD 416, FY 2005-06, vicinity of Hacienda Heights (4), Trimming Land Company, Inc., with changes amounting to a credit of \$9,774.00, and a final contract amount of \$72,756.00.

Project ID No. RMD1546037 - Palm Tree Trimming, RD 116/118/416/518, FY 2005-06, vicinities of City of Industry, Whittier, and Covina (1, 4, and 5), Trimming Land Company, Inc., with changes amounting to a credit of \$10,822.00, and a final contract amount of \$110,192.00.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

This action is to obtain Board ratification of Director-approved changes in public works contracts and Board acceptance of the work of the contracts in compliance with the provisions of the Public Contract Code. Included in the enclosures are project and contract data, the scope of work of changes to be ratified, and the work of the contracts to be accepted.

The Director of Public Works has been authorized by your Board to order changes in work up to \$10,000 for construction contracts. Changes to accommodate field conditions in order to meet the intent of the plans and specifications are not subject to this monetary limitation. Enclosed for your ratification are changes in work, which I ordered for Project ID Nos. FCC0000963, RDC0014149, RMD1446016, and RMD1546037.

The projects have been completed, and it is recommended that your Board accept them on the dates indicated in the enclosures.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The acceptance of these construction contracts is consistent with the County Strategic Plan Goal of Service Excellence since acceptance of these completed contracts will provide improved infrastructure to better serve the public.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The modifications to the contract amounts range in value from a credit of \$66,524.03 to an increase in the amount of \$4,840.00, while the total values of the contracts range from \$72,756.00 to \$1,242.618.88.

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Ratification of the changes in work and acceptance of the work of the respective contracts by your Board is in compliance with the acceptance and prompt payment provisions of the Public Contract Code.

Sufficient funds are available in the Board-approved appropriations for each of the respective projects to cover the costs of the changes and the total value of each of the contracts. Detailed cost breakdowns for each of the changes together with contract cost summaries are included in the enclosures.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

Each of these contracts for the construction of public works improvements was awarded by your Board to the lowest responsible bidder in accordance with the California Public Contract Code, your Board's directives, and as recommended by the Director of Public Works.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

The changes in the work as described above and in the enclosures are within the limits of the Board-approved projects and do not change any conditions which resulted in the original environmental findings.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

Each contract provided that the contractor be compensated for changes in the work as a result of changes to the original plans and specifications or changed conditions encountered during the course of construction. The costs of each of the changes were based on contract unit prices, time and materials, or were negotiated under the provisions of the contract specifications. The methods for arriving at the final costs of the changes are included in the enclosures.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

Ratification of the requested changes and acceptance of the work of the contracts by your Board will ensure the timely closeout of the respective contracts, releasing Departmental and County assets for other construction-related activities.

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CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to Public Works.

Respectfully submitted,

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Director of Public Works

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cc: Chief Administrative Office

County Counsel

Office of Affirmative Action Compliance

PROJECT ID NO. FCC0000963, BOONE AVENUE - OLIVE AVENUE DRAIN, BOONE - OLIVE PUMPING PLANT LOW FLOW DIVERSION (in the Venice area of the City of Los Angeles), Supervisorial District 3,

<u>Contractor</u>: Humphrey Constructors, Inc., 21314 Hideout Drive, Diamond Bar, California 91765

Project Description:

Construction of a low-flow diversion system including a pump, control system, and 3-inch force main; reinforced concrete pipe joint repair; modifications to an existing pump station; and other appurtenant work.

Changes in Work:

(1)	Repair Joints	\$4,000.00
(2)	Install Telemetry Conduit	<u>840.00</u>
	Total	\$4.840.00
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Description of Changes:

- (1) It was necessary to repair additional leaking joints in the 42-inch reinforced concrete pipe. This work was not shown on the plans.
- (2) It was necessary to install a 2-inch telemetry conduit from the low-flow control cabinet to the telemetry cabinet inside the pump station. This work was not shown on the plans.

The costs for Items 1 and 2 were negotiated as provided in Subsection 3-2 of the contract specifications.

Six additional working days were required because of these changes.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on March 23, 2007, in accordance with the plans and specifications. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of time required by the contractor to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$138,300.00
Actual costs of changes in work previously approved by the Board Changes in work authorized by the Director of Public Works	33,871.00
	4,840.00
FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	\$ <u>177,011.00</u>

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PROJECT ID NO. RDC0013877, HARBOR BOULEVARD WILDLIFE UNDERPASS PROJECT (City of La Habra Heights), Supervisorial District 4

<u>Contractor</u>: Excel Paving Company, 2230 Lemon Avenue, Long Beach, California 90806-5195

Project Description:

Construction of a multiplate corrugated steel underpass, retaining walls, portland cement concrete v-ditch, and splash wall; installation of an irrigation system and landscaping; and other appurtenant work.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on September 8, 2006, in accordance with the plans and specifications. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of time required by the contractor to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$1,113,798.00
Actual costs of changes in work previously	
approved by the Board	128,820.88
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FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	\$ <u>1,242,618.88</u>

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PROJECT ID NO. RDC0014149, AZUSA AVENUE, AMAR ROAD TO TEMPLE AVENUE (City of West Covina), Supervisorial Districts 1 and 5

<u>Contractor</u>: Sequel Contractors, Inc., 13546 Imperial Highway, Santa Fe Springs, California 90670

Project Description:

Resurfacing and reconstruction of roadway pavement; construction of sidewalk, curb and gutter, driveways, and bus pads; installation of striping and pavement markings; and other appurtenant work.

Changes in Work:

Variations in Bid Quantities

(\$66,524.03)

Description of Change:

The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The decrease in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities. The costs for these changes were based on contract unit prices.

No additional working days were required because of these changes.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on March 30, 2007, in accordance with the plans and specifications. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of time required for the contractor to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.

In addition, the contractor requested eight and a half hours of overtime inspection, which resulted in a credit to the contract.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$768,103.06
Actual costs of changes in work previously approved by the Board	10,348.58
Changes in work authorized by the Director of Public Works	(66,524.03)
Deduction for overtime inspection	<u>(446.25)</u>
FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	\$ <u>711,481,36</u>

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PROJECT ID NO. RMD1446016, PARKWAY TREE TRIMMING, RD 416, FY 2005-06 (in the vicinity of Hacienda Heights), Supervisorial District 4

<u>Contractor</u>: Trimming Land Company, Inc., 10513 Dolores Avenue, South Gate, California 90280

Project Description:

Trimming and removal of parkway trees.

Changes in Work:

Variations in Bid Quantities

(\$9,774.00)

Description of Changes:

The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The decrease in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities. The costs for these changes were based on contract unit prices.

No additional working days were required because of these changes.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on March 29, 2007, in accordance with the plans and specifications. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of time required by the contractor to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.

In addition, the contractor completed the project 90 days after the required completion date. The project specifications provide for the assessment of liquidated damages of \$500 per day for each calendar day in excess of the contract completion date; therefore, we assessed liquidated damages in the amount of \$45,000.

Final Contract Amount:

\$127,530.00
(9,774.00)
(45,000.00)
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\$ <u>72,756.00</u>

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PROJECT ID NO. RMD1546037, PALM TREE TRIMMING, RD 116/ 118/ 416/ 518, FY 2005-06 (in the vicinities of City of Industry, Whittier, and Covina), Supervisorial Districts 1, 4, and 5

<u>Contractor</u>: Trimming Land Company, Inc., 10513 Dolores Avenue, South Gate, California 90280

Project Description:

Trimming and removal of parkway trees.

Changes in Work:

Variations in Bid Quantities

(\$10,822.00)

Description of Changes:

The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The decrease in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities. The costs for these changes were based on contract unit prices.

No additional working days were required because of these changes.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on March 29, 2007, in accordance with the plans and specifications. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of time required by the contractor to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.

In addition, the contractor completed the project 72 days after the required completion date. The project specifications provide for the assessment of liquidated damages of \$500 per day for each calendar day in excess of the contract completion date; therefore, we assessed liquidated damages in the amount of \$36,000.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$157,014.00
Changes in work authorized by the Director	
of Public Works	(10,822.00)
Deduction for liquidated damages	(36,000.00)
FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	\$ <u>110,192.00</u>

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